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REMARKS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the foregoing amendment prior to

the examination of the above-identified patent application.

The amendments to the specification have been made to correct an obvious

typographical error in which Peltier had been spelled Peltiert. Amendments to claims 1-

20 are being presented to more closely conform the subject matter of the claims to

standard U.S. practice and idiomatic English and are intended to be cosmetic in nature.

Furthermore, these amendments have not been made to overcome a rejection. Thus,

these amendments should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to

patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned

at the below-listed telephone number.

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